

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STOCKH 02637 01 OF 02 080812Z
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 IO-13 ISO-00 DEAE-00 CIAE-00 INR-10
JUSE-00 NSAE-00 CTME-00 SNM-05 TRSE-00 ICA-11
NSC-05 OES-09 OMB-01 AF-10 ARA-10 EA-10 NEA-10
AID-05 CA-01 HEW-04 /117 W
-----062685 080904Z /21

R 071530Z JUL 78
FM AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4203
INFO AMEMBASSY BONN
AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS
AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN
AMEMBASSY DUBLIN
USMISSION GENEVA
AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE
AMEMBASSY LONDON
AMEMBASSY LUXEMBOURG
AMEMBASSY OTTAWA
AMEMBASSY PARIS
AMEMBASSY ROME

C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 1 OF 2 STOCKHOLM 2637

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SNAR, SW
SUBJECT: POMPIDOU INITIATIVE GROUP MEETS IN STOCKHOLM

BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: SUMMARY: THE FOURTH MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE
OF THE EUROPEAN CO-OPERATION IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST DRUG ABUSE
AND ILLICIT TRAFFIC TOOK PLACE IN STOCKHOLM ON JULY 3. THE MAIN
EMPHASIS OF THE MEETING WAS ON DEMAND CONTROL. OTHER QUESTIONS
DISCUSSED INCLUDED SUPPLY (THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE, UNFDAC,
EXTRADITION, POLITICAL PRESSURE ON PRODUCERS), CANNIBUS,
ACCESSIONS TO CONVENTIONS, BETTER EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON
DEMAND REDUCTION, AND INCREASING OVERALL EFFORTS AT COORDINATION.
TWO OR THREE EXPERT MEETINGS WILL BE HELD PRIOR TO THE NEXT
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STOCKH 02637 01 OF 02 080812Z

MINISTERIAL IN STOCKHOLM IN SEPTEMBER OF 1979.
END SUMMARY.

1. THE POMPIDOU INITIATIVE GROUP MET IN STOCKHOLM
ON JULY 3 AND ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:
"FOURTH MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE OF THE EUROPEAN CO-OPERATION
IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFIC.

"STATEMENT BY THE MINISTERS:

"THE CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS HAVING STUDIED THE LATEST SITUATION CONCERNING THE ABUSE OF AN ILLEGAL TRAFFIC IN DRUGS AND THE MEASURES WHICH HAVE BEEN TAKEN NATIONALLY AS WELL AS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE EUROPEAN CO-OPERATION, NOTES THAT IN MOST COUNTRIES OF THE REGION THE SITUATION HAS NOT IMPROVED BUT IS WORSENING.

MINISTERS ARE CONVINCED THAT THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUG ABUSE IS A TASK FOR THE WHOLE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND THAT THESE QUESTIONS OUGHT TO BE GIVEN A HIGHER PRIORITY WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE REGULAR BUDGET OF THE UNITED NATIONS ACCORDING TO RESOLUTION NO 8 TAKEN BY THE COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS AT ITS FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION IN FEBRUARY 1978 AND APPROVED BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL BY TAKING NOTE OF THE COMMISSIONS REPORT AT ITS FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE YEAR 1978.

FOLLOWING A STATEMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED NATIONS FUND FOR DRUG ABUSE CONTROL SETTING OUT CURRENT OBJECTIVES AND PROCEDURES OF THE FUND AND DESCRIBING SOME OF THE PROJECTS BEING FINANCED BY IT, MINISTERS EXPRESSED THEIR VIEWS ABOUT IT FINANCING AND OPERATIONS. METHODS OF IMPROVING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE ACTIVITIES OF ALL ORGANS OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES CONCERNED WITH
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 STOCKH 02637 01 OF 02 080812Z

DRUG ABUSE CONTROL WERE CONSIDERED.

MOST OF THE COUNTRIES EXPRESSED THEIR APPRECIATION THAT THE FUND SHOULD WORK IN CO-OPERATION WITH OTHER UN-BODIES INTERNATIONAL ORGANS, E.G. UNDP, THE WORLD BANK ETC. AND THAT IT SHOULD BE SUPPORTED BY - DIRECT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND

- INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AID FUNDS
- BILATERAL DEVELOPMENT AID

UNDER THE PRECONDITIONS AND THAT DEVELOPING COUNTRIES GIVE PRIORITY TO PROJECTS IN THE FIELD OF DRUG ABUSE.

THE CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS ASSIGNS TO A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS TO ELABORATE AND, IN GOOD TIME BEFORE THE CONFERENCE IN 1979, TO MAKE PROPOSALS ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- QUESTIONS CONCERNING EXTRADITION AND EXPULSION FOR NARCOTIC CRIMES, INCLUDING THE POSSIBILITIES OF PROSECUTION FOR CRIMES COMMITTED ABROAD.
- QUESTIONS REGARDING ATTITUDES TO THE USE OF TRADITIONAL CANNABIS PRODUCTS.
- TO MAKE AN INVENTORY OF MEASURES AGAINST ILLICIT DEMAND OF NARCOTICS TO BE EXAMINED ON A WESTERN EUROPEAN BASIS AND THEREAFTER, IF POSSIBLE, MAKE A THOROUGH STUDY OF

THESE MEASURES.

- EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND EXPERIENCES CONCERNING
LEGAL PRACTICE WHEN DECIDING THE PUNISHMENT FOR
DRUG OFFENCES. END QUOTE.

2. THE GOS WAS UNWILLING TO ALLOW ANY USG PARTICI-
PATION IN THE CONFERENCE BECAUSE OF EARLIER ADAMANT
FRENCH OPPOSITION TO A SWEDISH-DUTCH PROPOSAL THAT
BOTH THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA BE INVITED TO SEND
OFFICIAL OBSERVERS TO THE STOCKHOLM MEETING. MINISTRY OF
HEALTH LEGAL EXPERT LARS HULTSTRAND AND SECRETARY ANDERS TYNDAL
MET WITH THE NARCOTICS CO-ORDINATOR AND HIS
ASSISTANT ON JULY 6 AND GAVE A THOROUGH BRIEFING.
THEY ALSO STATED THAT THEY WOULD BE WRITING DIRECTLY
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 04 STOCKH 02637 01 OF 02 080812Z

TO ROBERT DUPONT AND JEAN PAUL SMITH OF NIDA WITH
FURTHER TECHNICAL DETAILS ON THE MEETING AND THAT
THEY WILL FURNISH THE EMBASSY WITH A COPY OF THEIR
WRITTEN REPORT ON THE SESSION AS WELL AS A FINAL LIST
OF PARTICIPANTS (THERE WERE MANY LAST MINUTE SUBSTITU-
TIONS AND CANCELATIONS). THESE DOCUMENTS WILL BE POUCHED
TO THE DEPARTMENT UPON RECEIPT. IN GENERAL TERMS THE GOS
WAS QUITE SATISFIED WITH PARTICIPATION IN THE MEETING.
ALL MEMBER COUNTRIES WERE REPRESENTED, MOST BY AT LEAST
ONE AND SOME BY TWO MINISTERS.

3. GOS THINKS THAT THE POMPIDOU GROUP IS LIKELY TO CON-
CENTRATE ITS FUTURE EFFORTS ON THE DEMAND SIDE RATHER THAN
THE SUPPLY SIDE. THERE WAS A GOOD DEAL OF DISCUSSION

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STOCKH 02637 02 OF 02 080850Z
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 IO-13 ISO-00 DEAE-00 CIAE-00 INR-10
JUSE-00 NSAE-00 CTME-00 SNM-05 TRSE-00 ICA-11
NSC-05 OES-09 OMB-01 AF-10 ARA-10 EA-10 NEA-10
AID-05 CA-01 HEW-04 /117 W
-----062996 080903Z /21

R 071530Z JUL 78
FM AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4204
INFO AMEMBASSY BONN
AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS
AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN
AMEMBASSY DUBLIN
USMISSION GENEVA
AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE
AMEMBASSY LONDON
AMEMBASSY LUXEMBOURG
AMEMBASSY OTTAWA
AMEMBASSY PARIS
AMEMBASSY ROME

C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 2 OF 2 STOCKHOLM 2637

OF SUPPLY QUESTIONS IN STOCKHOLM, BUT LITTLE AGREEMENT ON HOW TO PROCEED AS REFLECTED IN THE DIVERSE APPROACHES ENDORSED IN THE STATEMENT QUOTED IN PARAGRAPH 1. (THE SWEDES, NORWEGIANS AND A NUMBER OF OTHERS FAVOR DIRECTOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND. THE DUTCH FAVOR A UNDP APPROACH. THE FRENCH INSIST ON CONCENTRATING ON BILATERAL AID.) ALSO THERE WAS GENERAL AGREEMENT THAT ANY LONG TERM LASTING SOLUTION TO THE OVERALL PROBLEM WILL DEPEND ON EFFECTIVE PROGRAMS TO LIMIT DEMAND. THUS, WHILE SUPPLY WILL CONTINUE TO BE A EUROPEAN PREOCCUPATION, AND THERE WILL BE NO LESSENING OF EFFORTS, MORE MOVEMENT AND CHANGE IS LIKELY TO OCCUR ON THE DEMAND SIDE OF THE PROBLEM.
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STOCKH 02637 02 OF 02 080850Z

THE TWO OR THREE EXPERT MEETINGS TO BE HELD PRIOR TO THE NEXT MINISTERIAL WILL CONCENTRATE ON THE DEMAND SIDE.

4. THE SWEDES SEE THE POMPIDOU MEETINGS AS BASICALLY A POLITICAL FORUM, WHERE THE EUROPEANS CAN CONCENTRATE ON SHORT TERM, QUICK FIX TYPE SOLUTIONS TO IMMEDIATE REAL WORLD PROBLEMS AND CHALLENGES. THEY FEEL THAT THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE IS THE PROPER FORUM FOR LONGER TERM, MORE PHILOSOPHICAL QUESTIONS REGARDING DRUG CONTROL. THE MAIN ADVANTAGE OF A LESS FORMAL FORUM LIKE THE POMPIDOU GROUP IS ITS FLEXIBILITY AND ITS ABILITY TO MAKE A DECISION OR RECOMMENDATION "IN LESS THAN 5 YEARS". WHEN PRESSED FOR SPECIFICS THE SWEDES MENTIONED COMMON EUROPEAN POSITIONS IN WORLD LEVEL INTERNATIONAL FORA. A GENERAL INTENSIFICATION OF INTRA-EUROPEAN COMMUNICATIONS ON DRUG QUESTIONS WAS ANOTHER BENEFIT CITED.

5. OTHER SPECIFIC MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE STOCKHOLM MEETING INCLUDED

(A) THE DESIRABILITY AND EFFICACY OF PUTTING POLITICAL PRESSURE ON PRODUCING COUNTRIES (NO AGREEMENT, CONCERN IN SOME QUARTERS ABOUT FURTHER WEAKENING ALREADY WEAK GOVERNMENTS ON THE PERIPHERY OF THE SOVIET UNION);

(B) WHAT IS TO BE DONE ABOUT CANNABIS? (LOTS OF DIFFERENT THINGS BEING TRIED, NO ONE IS SURE, MORE INFORMATION EXCHANGE PLANNED);

(C) ACCESSION TO INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS (NOTHING, THOSE WHO HAVE NOT ACCEDED SAID THEY ARE "STUDYING" THE QUESTION);

(D) UNFIDAC DIRECTOR REXED SPOKE ON INTEGRATING UNFIDAC MORE CLOSELY WITH UNDP (AGREEMENT THAT IT IS A GOOD THING);
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 STOCKH 02637 02 OF 02 080850Z

(E) THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE (NO NEW INSIGHTS OF ANY INTEREST);

(F) NEED FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION REGARDING ACTUAL LEGAL PRACTICES IN PUNISHMENT.

6. THE SWEDES HOPE THAT THE NEXT MINISTERIAL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR STOCKHOLM IN SEPTEMBER OF 1979 WILL BE MORE FOCUSED AND LESS OF A SURVEY. ONE PROBLEM, WHICH WAS UNDERLINED IN THE MEETING, IS THE QUESTION OF DOMESTIC CO-ORDINATION OF NARCOTICS PROBLEMS WITHIN THE VARIOUS COUNTRIES REPRESENTED. THE DIVERSITY OF MINISTERS TO ANSWER THE CALL FOR A DRUG ABUSE MINISTERIAL MEETING WAS INDICATIVE OF THIS PROBLEM. THE SWEDES FEEL THE FRENCH ARE THE WORST OF THE LOT, SPEAKING WITH AT LEAST THREE OR FOUR DIFFERENT VOICES, MANY OF WHOM APPEAR NEVER TO COMMUNICATE IN PARIS. EVEN ON THE QUESTION ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE POMPIDOU GROUP MEETINGS THEMSELVES THE SWEDES GOT THREE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT ANSWERS FROM THE FRENCH AT THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE, THOSE IN GENEVA, AND THOSE AT THE HEALTH MINISTRY IN PARIS, WHEN THIS QUESTION WAS BEING DEBATED A YEAR OR SO AGO.
THE GOS IS HAVING A NUMBER OF HOUSEKEEPING PROBLEMS IN SUPPORTING AN "ORGANIZATION", WHICH LACKS A SECRETARIAT AND IS NOT HAPPY ABOUT HAVING TO HOST ANOTHER MEETING SO SOON BUT IT ACQUIESCED AFTER THE INSISTENCE OF ITS GUESTS THAT THE SWEDES MAKE PERFECT YOSTS. MINISTER GUSTAVSSON WILL RELINQUISH THE CHAIRMANSHIP HAPPILY, WHEN HIS TWO YEAR TERM IS UP.

7. THE SWEDES CLOSED THEIR REPORT ON THE POMPIDOU MEETING BY RE-ITERATING THEIR BELIEF THAT BOTH THE U.S. AND CANADA OUGHT TO BE INCLUDED IN SOME FASHION IN THESE GATHERINGS AND THAT THEY WERE ACTIVELY

LOOKING FOR AN OPPORTUNE MOMENT TO RAISE THE QUESTION
AGAIN WITH THE DIFFICULT FRENCH.
KENNEDY-MINOTT
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 04 STOCKH 02637 02 OF 02 080850Z

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DRUG CONTROL, MINISTERIAL MEETINGS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 07 jul 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978STOCKH02637
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780280-0662
Format: TEL
From: STOCKHOLM
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780783/aaaacsnu.tel
Line Count: 287
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: da456479-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 6
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 13 may 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2081765
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: POMPIDOU INITIATIVE GROUP MEETS IN STOCKHOLM BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: SUMMARY: THE FOURTH MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE OF THE EUROPEAN CO-OPERATION IN THE STRU GGLE AGAIN
TAGS: SNAR, SW
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/da456479-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014